

Remarks/Argument

Claims 1-15 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. Sec 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

The Examiner has indicated allowable subject matter in this application if this rejection is overcome.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite the overhead vapor stream and liquid stream of the hot hydrogen stripper in step (c), thereby providing antecedent basis to these features when they are mentioned in steps (d) and (e).

It is the position of the applicants that they claims, as now amended, are now in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request that the application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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